

THE WEATHER
Forecast, probably stormy late tonight and Thursday;
moderate east to southeast winds.
New from 8:15, sea 6:15.
Moon sets 8:15.
High tide midnight, 12:15 p. m.
Temperature 101 f. p. m.; Maximum 50 at 10 a. m.;
Minimum 30 at 10 p. m.; Average 35.
Temperature at 1 p. m. 35.

REBELS EXECUTED BY FIRING SQUAD

NEW CLEW IN SLAYER SEARCH

Man Who Shot Connecticut
Teacher and Father Reported
Seen on Road to Putnam

Thompson, Ct., May 3.—Armed men today took up a new clew in the chase for John Elliott.
Elliott is the double-murderer, who shot George A. Pettis, a prosperous farmer, and his daughter, Miss Schil Pettis, early yesterday.
The slayer, a farm-hand, was identified with Miss Pettis, a school teacher of West Thompson today. Five hundred men are helping the State police and county officials scour the countryside.
Mr. Bloodhounds were started at different points in the general effort to pick up Elliott's trail.
A new clew today shifted some of the searchers from the Quiddie Mountain trail over to the highway which runs from Putnam to West Thompson.

A man reported by Elliott was seen between 3:30 and 4 p. m. yesterday on that stretch of road by at least five different parties.

The entire countryside is worked up to top pitch, "orders have come forth to shoot Elliott on sight."
The main posse started out today to comb Quiddie Mountain. There was one theory that Elliott had retreated to some well-prepared hiding place there. A second theory was put forth that he committed suicide by drowning in Quiddie Pond.

But the new clew contradicted these ideas. If the man seen on the Putnam road was Elliott, he would have been seen in the vicinity of the pond, through the swampy woods, and through the Quiddie Pond, coming out on the highway by Hidden Pond farm.

Today's bank clearings, Boston sub-treasury credit \$528,601.
Boston clearings \$2,003,501.
New York sub-treasury credit \$528,601.
New York clearings \$555,129,678.

SYBIL PETTIS, Connecticut teacher, who was shot to death by jealous farmhand, who fled to the woods.



Boys Sentenced to Whipping for Graveyard Theft

Frank Burke, thirteen, Abner Sewell, fourteen, and John McDonald, eleven, were arraigned in the Juvenile Court in Lynn today charged with stealing lead from gravestones in Pine Cemetery.

GIVEN LIFE TERMS BY CLERICAL ERROR

The failure of a clerk to index a statute passed in 1912 providing for an indeterminate sentence for persons convicted of robbery when armed with dangerous weapons, caused John P. Malvey and Frank Davis to be sent to State Prison for Life, Judge Charles S. Sullivan of the Charlestown court declared at a hearing on their petition for discharge.

GIRL IS INDICTED ON SLAYING CHARGE

Springside, May 3.—Miss Emma Glanville, who shot and killed Frank Daniels, Jr., following a love quarrel at Ludlow, March 11, and Edwin D. Carter, who shot and killed Deputy Sheriff Richard P. Lawton while the latter was attempting to place him under arrest at Russell, January 16, were each indicted for murder by the Hampden County grand jury, which reported today.

BAY STATE PUPILS MEET PRESIDENT

Washington, May 3.—Students of the Atlantic May high school and of the Massachusetts National Training School today shook hands with President Wilson.

U.S. TROOPS SAY ON U-BOAT WARFARE

Agreement Signed by El Paso
Conferees Now on Way to Each
Government for Ratification

By WALLACE E. SMITH,
International News Service Staff Correspondent.
El Paso, Tex., May 3.—Formal acceptance by the American and Mexican governments alone is needed to seal the terms of the compromise reached by General Alvaro Obregon and Major-General Scott at the conference which began yesterday afternoon and ended at midnight. Both are confident that official ratification will be forthcoming.

The terms of the compromise were transmitted to Washington and Mexico City today. The dispatch to Mexico City was a matter of form. General Obregon is head of the Mexican army, and the de facto government. When asked for the details of the compromise General Scott said: "We have agreed not to discuss that. Both General Obregon and I are reporting to our governments. All I can say is that it is a compromise for all concerned."

General Obregon was just as uncommunicative, but his manner indicated that he had secured as good terms as he had hoped when he came to the border and announced that his one and only demand was that American troops be withdrawn from Mexico.

"This ought to end all the tales of friction," he said. "We were all excluded from the agreement reached. I have met my report to my people." In the absence of official information as to the details of the agreement, well-dressed reports of the following:
1.—That the American expedition will remain in Mexico within a certain time limit, which will be determined by the progress the Carranzistas make in their operations against Francisco Villa and other official leaders.
2.—That the extreme anti-American use of General Francisco's name, which has been moved back to Colonia, Durango.
3.—That the American troops shall confine their activities chiefly to patrol duties, with occasional forays after marauding parties, the limits of their movements to be determined by the Carranzistas troops make in their operations against Francisco Villa and other official leaders.
4.—That when the American troops are in a position to strike a decisive blow at bandit bands Carranzistas forces shall be required to give full and active cooperation.
5.—That the army of Mexico shall be granted the right of transport of supplies to the American troops only on condition of uncertainty with reference to the situation at the present time.

Germany Instructs Commanders Gerard May Receive Reply to U. S. Demands Today

By International News Service.
Berlin, May 3.—Germany's reply to the American note on submarine warfare will be on its way to Washington before Thursday evening. Its delivery to Ambassador Gerard today awaited the return of Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg from army headquarters where the Chancellor and Emperor William conferred following the departure of Ambassador Gerard for Berlin.

WILSON TO REFUSE ANY BARGAINING

By JOHN EDWIN NEVIN,
International News Service Staff Correspondent.

Washington, May 3.—Two almost irreconcilable viewpoints on the German submarine controversy were given utterance in official circles today.
The first, coming directly from sources close to President Wilson, was as follows:
"The President is greatly unsatisfied over the German delay in sending its reply to his ultimatum. He sees evidence of a widespread propaganda in newspaper dispatches from Berlin that Germany is making great concessions to satisfy the great necessities of the war."
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400 MARCH OUT AT BLAZE IN HIGH SCHOOL

While a fire burned furiously in the chemical laboratory in the Charlestown High School today, just before noon, nearly 400 pupils and several teachers marched out of the building singing. The building was cleared in less than one minute.
Headmaster George W. Evans, who notified the fire, sounded the school sirens. Without stopping for weapons the pupils formed lines and marched from the building without confusion.
One of the pupils started a class song. The song was picked up by the other students and was sung throughout the march. The pupils had reached the street.
The fire started in the laboratory on the top floor and is believed to have been due to spontaneous combustion among chemicals. The fire will be \$300.

Hands Tell Your Real Age

Next Sunday's Boston AMERICAN will show you several ways that you can prevent the telltale signs of age from appearing on your hands. Don't forget to order your copy now.

Latest War Bulletins

London, May 3.—A Geneva telegram to the Central News says:
"During food riots at Leipzig the police killed three persons and wounded seventy."
"In riots in Berlin it is reported twenty-five persons were killed and 200 wounded."

PETER PEARSE, Provisional President of Ireland, who was executed today with two other rebels after being found guilty of treason.



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REVERSE REPORT ON HOSPITAL BILL

With six of the thirteen members dissenting, the legislative committee on public institutions today voted to report reference to the next general court on the revised provisions of an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the construction of a metropolitan hospital for the insane at Wrentham. Senators Irving and Aldrich and Representatives Dyer and Courtney and others are the dissenters.

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Washington, May 3.—Another wave of peace sentiment today swept over Congress. Senator Zeveloff asked the Senate Foreign Relations Committee favorably to report his resolution, which requests President Wilson to renew, on behalf of the United States, his offer of mediation to the European belligerents.

Senator Zeveloff stated that the motive of the war-punishment of Austria has been accomplished, and that the belligerents now seem hopelessly involved in cruel warfare. He believes the offer might bring about peace, from both sides that would furnish a common ground from which peace might be discussed. He said:
"There is a splendid chance, in my opinion, that a renewal of the offer of this offer might be the means of opening the way for the belligerents to settle their differences."

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SINN FEIN LEADERS GUILTY OF TREASON

London, May 3.—Peter Pearse, who was proclaimed "Provisional President of the Republic of Ireland," James Connolly, commander-in-chief of the rebel army, and another leader of the Irish insurrectionists, were executed in Dublin this morning. The three men died before a firing squad.

Announcement of the execution of the three chief leaders of the Sinn Fein revolt was made in Parliament this afternoon by Premier Asquith.

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WAR SUMMARY

A Zeppelin raid on the English and Scottish coasts, the first for over a week, and a German thrust against the French front in the Argonne were features of today's opening reports from the war.

Five Zeppelins flew over the English Channel in the night and dropped a number of bombs over the northeast corner of England and about the northeast corner of Scotland. The first official announcement by the British War Office made no mention of casualties or damage.

Official statements differ regarding the clash in the Argonne. The encounter was between La Harazee and Four de Paris, the point where a German reconnoitering party was dispersed by French outposts Monday night. Today's French communiqué said that three German companies attempted a "feeble attack" in the same neighborhood, gained a momentary foothold, but were driven back with "severe losses."

The German communiqué, on the other hand, said that the German patrols penetrated to the second French line and returned within the German lines with several prisoners.

SEE PEACE MOVE IN BUELOW'S RETURN

Paris, May 2.—Kampferer peace is brought apparently nearer by the sudden return of Prince von Buelow to Berlin after six months spent at Lucerne. This is the opinion of diplomats discussing with the significance of the former Chancellor's entry into active political life.

It has been the Kaiser's policy, since the breakdown of his efforts to prevent Italy from entering the war, to hold von Buelow, one of his intimate friends, close from the turmoil of Berlin politics.

The Emperor's object has been to prevent the Prince from committing himself by a declaration of his views on what benefits Germany must derive from the war.

MAY BE MOVED TOWARD PEACE.

The result is that he is the only prominent German who can make moderate peace proposals without first having to retract utterances similar to those made by all the German politicians now in power.

European diplomats, therefore, interpret his return to the capital as a prelude to a big political and diplomatic movement leading to peace.

Reports that the Prince felt from grace owing to his failure to prevent Italy from declaring war upon Austria, are not true. I learn that while he was occupying the annex of the big Lucerne hotel with a staff of diplomatic attaches during the past semester, he received letters at regular intervals from the Emperor, all beginning "Dear Hermann," and couched in affectionate terms.

Stone reports that the immediate object of his return is to clinch the Kaiser's tendency to accede to Wilson's demands.

WANTS TO END WAR.

He will then use his prestige with the neutral nations of northern Europe as an endeavor to lead them together in a league whose object will be to force Great Britain to loosen the blockade by withdrawing the contraband list.

At the same time von Buelow will act in this direction in Washington in order to induce the United States to join the league.

Whether or not this plan will succeed, say continental diplomats, von Buelow will still have a free hand to attempt to bring about peace before the belligerents are committed to a third winter campaign.

Most positive information is obtained in Paris that Germany contemplates the proclamation of the war into 1917 with gravest concern, because of the continuation of the blockade and the present virtual exhaustion of the Teutonic reserves. It would mean military, economic and financial disaster.

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Are you taking every precaution now against future foot discomfort?

Do you realize that the fitting of children's shoes is far more important than your own?

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BELGIANS REPULSE GERMAN INVADERS
London, May 2.—North of Dixmude the Germans following a violent preparatory bombardment, charged and occupied portions of the Belgian advance posts, but the Belgians, in a counter-attack, immediately drove out the invaders.

Violent artillery combats continue along the Verdun front.

The Germans made an assault yesterday against the Belgian positions north of Dixmude. The Belgian report, which describes the attack as "sudden," says that the Teutons shelled the Belgians heavily, then charged so vigorously that they gained footing in three advanced Belgian posts. But the Belgian counter-attack dislodged them.

The German account of the West Flanders sally calls it a "surprise attack," and says it netted the Germans several prisoners.

The Germans report bagging five more French aeroplanes along the western front.

The Spanish steamer Winifreda has been sunk off the coast of Spain, with loss of one life. The Winifreda's captain believes a torpedo did it.

An Amsterdam newspaper says that Berlin admits that a U-boat sank the Dutch steamer Tubantia, and that the Dutch company which owned the lost steamer is to be given one of the Hamburg-American liners in its place. The Tubantia was sunk on March 16. Berlin declared that no German submarine was responsible.

THE MONTH OF MAY SEES GREAT ACTIVITY ON THE BIG DAYLIGHTED FLOOR DEVOTED TO HOUSEHOLD UTILITIES

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—Ice Cream Bricks, heavy tin. Original value 45c. Now.....**25c**

—Cream Measures, heavy tin. Original value 25c. Now.....**15c**

—Auto Strainer Funnels, for gasoline. Original value 75c. Now.....**25c**

—One Gallon Measures. Original value 50c. Now.....**25c**

—Cake Moulds. Original value 45c. Now.....**25c**

—Gravy Strainers. Original value 45c, 20c, 35c, 50c. Now.....**10c**

—Bread Stick Pans. Original value 50c. Now.....**25c**

Automatic Bargain Basement
LIVELY SELLING—During Patriots' Day week the basement suit and coat sections for Women and Misses, in a price of FIVE days, had bigger business than ever before in any week in our history. This new record promises to be excelled this week.

On Sale Tomorrow—Just 96 Women's and Misses' New Suits \$12.50

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Single attractive waists that may be worn high or low.

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Mercerized Twill Petticoats 69c

With deep plaited skirts—new styles—new sizes—new prices.

Women's New Coats \$8.75

Double-breasted coats with wide collar—new styles—new sizes—new prices.

Hundreds of Other Bargain Lots

GERMANS FALL IN ATTACK ON LA HARAZEE

By International News Service.
London, May 2.—The French War Office today reported a full infantry operations at Verdun, where the German forces had been driven farther westward to the Argonne. At La Harazee, where the French on Monday repulsed a German reconnoitering party, the German launched an assault on the French position. The French official communiqué issued this afternoon states, however, that this assault was repulsed and that the Germans suffered heavy losses.

Though infantry action at Verdun has been lacking during recent hours, violent artillery combats have continued about the positions of the Meuse river.

PEBBLE ATTACK.

The text of the French official communiqué follows:

"In the Argonne, after a sharp bombardment with gas shells, the enemy attempted yesterday evening a feeble attack with three companies against our trenches between La Harazee and Le Four Paris.

"The Germans momentarily gained a foothold in our advanced trench system, but were unable to maintain it; they were driven back, suffering severe losses from our fire.

"In the evening about Verdun, there was very great activity by the artillery on both sides in the sector of Le Fort Homme and Domremy.

"One of our long range pieces bombarded the railway station at St. Etienne. Fire broke out in the station buildings.

"In Lorraine patrol forces were in contact in the region of Mouilly.

"The night was quiet on the rest of the front."

SUCCESS AGAINST BELGIANS.

Local successes against the Belgians in Flanders are reported in today's German official announcement.

The text of the German's official statement follows:

"North of Dixmude German detachments made a surprise attack, following a cannonade, entered the Belgians' trench system and captured several dozen soldiers.

"In the Argonne, in the sector of Four de Paris, our patrols advanced as far as the second French line and returned with several prisoners. On both sides of the Meuse River the situation is unchanged.

"First Lieutenant von Althaus, while firing along Cullette trench, shot down an enemy aeroplane, the sixth which he has destroyed. Another French aeroplane was brought down in an aerial combat south of Thionville.

"Two more aeroplanes were shot down by anti-aircraft guns south of Thionville, and a third by three guns near Hardembourg. The pilot of the fifth aeroplane was killed and the observer, severely wounded."

WARN OF DANGER ON NEW HAVEN BRIDGE

Because of the bad condition of the planking on the bridge at Washington and Castle street, a member of the South End, a motorist of the Boston Elevated road was today advised there with a red flag to use pedestrian, motorist and teamsters of the danger. In the south end of the bridge is a large depression which has been temporarily covered.

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MacGregor three face clubs, 2.00.
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Spliced drivers and brasses, 3.50.
MacGregor iron clubs, 3.25.
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Juvenile clubs and drivers, 1.50.
Imported irons, 3.00.

Caddy bags, 1.00 to 18.00.

Golf Balls—All the leading makes, including Silver King—Colonel—Bridle—Red Honor—Black Circle—Bullet—Honor—Baby—Glory—Dimple and others, price 30c to 90c.

Golf Sundries, including ball paint markers, ball cleaners, gloves, tees, score books, putting discs, etc.

Jordan Marsh Company

ARMED POSSE TRAIL SLAYER OF GIRL, HIDING IN WOODS

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At the top of the slope they looked back and saw the man following slowly, as if weary. They did not know that the double Pettis tragedy. When they heard about it they reported what they had seen.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Labaree and Mrs. Peter Pitt, who live on the same road, near where the strange man was seen, saw a similar man late in the afternoon.

No man of that description came

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MRS. WALTER HIGGINS OF MEXICO, who first two shots in dispute over roadway near her home.



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Refusal of Miss Pettis to receive Elliott's attention was the cause of the double tragedy, according to Mrs. Pettis, widow of the dead man and step-mother of Miss Pettis. Mrs. Pettis witnessed the shooting. She had a mistress escape at the hands of Elliott himself.

The man had been complicated by Elliott's still in the woods, a crack shot, his knowledge of every road for miles around. He could not for weeks in the business of the woods. It is a fact that Elliott had a mistress escape at the hands of Elliott himself.

The double tragedy taken by Elliott in delaying pursuit by cutting telephone wires, and his craftiness in buying the two guns at different places, the State police officer for the man hunt to believe that he is fully provisioned for a long stay in the woods.

HAS HOMICIDE RECORD.

The house jealousy which led up to the tragedy had its beginning about two months ago. It was customary for Miss Pettis, in going to teach the primary school at West Thompson, to drive into Thompson from her home, about four miles out, in a buggy, leaving the rig at a public hitching stand managed by a local constable. There she took the electric cars to the school, and afterwards returned by the same route, hitching up her buggy and riding home.

Elliott was employed as a hostler at the Cambridge hotel, and a friend of his because of his reputation of quietness and soberness and because he had served a prison sentence in Rhode Island for killing another man in a fit of jealousy over a woman.

About two months ago, Miss Pettis told her father that Elliott had been canvassing her by forcing his attention upon her. She feared and hated him. He would ask Miss Pettis to buy him small articles at the stores in Thompson, which she did with reluctance, and he would refuse to accept the change. He told her he would give her all the money she wanted if she would only ask for it.

Mr. Pettis after deliberating over the matter for a few days told his daughter not to notice Elliott, and to leave to his friends and perhaps the unwelcome attentions would cease.

Last Friday, Elliott became more assertive to the teacher. She again told her father, who planned to ride to the school for her to see to it.

Sunday morning Elliott went to former Selectman Ryan and bought two pistols. He was going to keep up several pistols on the night previous, warning Ryan to stand away from him, Ryan, the father of a grown-up family, attempted to question the man, without success. Elliott also spoke to several other men who live in the town during that day, telling them to keep away from Miss Pettis, going late a rage, if anything was said to him.

That day he also went to Putnam and bought a 22-caliber revolver. He bought another revolver of the same kind at Webster, signing his name for the purchase, and buying several boxes of cartridges.

FIELD AT MR. PETTIS.

Monday night he told Miss Cunningham, at whose house he lived, that he was going to visit relatives and would not be back that night. He then left a hired public auto and went to Quinlan Corner, about 100 yards from the Pettis home.

The discovery of several suit cases and a dress suit case in the attic of the house, leads the police to believe that he slept there that night.

CALLS NEW PRISON BOARD PLAN A JOKE

The plan evolved by the Legislature to establish a Bureau of Prisons in its place, was characterized as "a joke" by Prison Commissioner John J. Conway at a hearing today before the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

Proponent of the bill brought on John Kerec, United States Commissioner of Prisons. He said that the work of unpaid boards had not proved efficient and that under the present system it had been impossible to supervise properly the industrial work in prisons.

Commissioner Kerec admitted that he never had his experience as a prison official.

REPORT RESOLVE ON NEW 'L' STATION

The legislative committee on Metropolitan Affairs today voted to resolve directing the Transit Commission to investigate the advisability of acquiring the elevated station at the corner of North and Everett streets in Boston. The resolve was a substitution of the position of Representative John I. Fitzgerald for a station.

U. S. ARMY SERGEANT DIES IN MEXICO

Washington, May 2.—Major-General Purser today reported to the War Department that Sergeant Benjamin Mitchell, 31 Troop, Thirtieth Cavalry, died in the field hospital established at Cuernavaca, Mex., yesterday, of wounds received in the fight at Parí on April 14. His home was in Leicester, Mass. His father, James H., resides there.

ALLEGED SOUTH END BURGLAR IS HELD

Herbert Smith, twenty-two, of West Washington street, Roxbury, was held today, charged with having burglarized a home in West Boston street.

GIRL STRUCK BY AUTO DIES OF INJURIES

Nineteen-year-old Helen Bacon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Bacon, of No. 41 Lombard street, Dorchester, died at her home today of injuries sustained yesterday when struck by an automobile. Her father, a salesman, was in the western part of the State when he had a promotion of travel and hurried home.

A warrant charging the driver of the automobile, James E. Chapin of Thayer street, Dorchester, with manslaughter, was refused in the inferior court.

MELROSE TRUCE IN WAR OVER HENHOUSE

The Melrose henhouse war has come to a temporary halt. The henhouse is at the side of the road where it was dragged.

Hostilities have been held up pending a private hearing to arbitrate. All the neighbors have taken sides.

Mrs. Walter Higgins, who fired two shots from a revolver in an attempt to prevent the removal of the henhouse from the middle of the road, declares that she will secure warrants for the arrest of several men for trespass. On the other hand, several persons say they will ask for a warrant for the woman's arrest on the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

The first side, hitherto the quietest section of Melrose, is greatly stirred up. Higgins' immediate neighbors believe he is right in maintaining that the road is private property and that the men had no right to move the henhouse. Others declare the road is a public thoroughfare and that Higgins was attempting to block it for spite.

In the meantime the henhouse is being carefully by the side of the road and vehicles are passing freely.

SAYS IT'S BEST OF ALL REMEDIES

Watertown Lady Related the Benefits She Received from Plant Juice.

Plant Juice, the new herbal stomach medicine, has cured a large number of American citizens of all ages and conditions. Plant Juice is purely an

MISS ANNA HEYVERN.

herbal preparation, and it is proving to be the greatest ever produced. Once the public of every town and village knows of it, it is particularly a tonic for the people who are suffering from indigestion and loss of appetite. It gives immediate relief and lasting relief. It is a true specific for indigestion and organic weakness. It is a true specific for the cure of all diseases of the stomach and bowels. It is a true specific for the cure of all diseases of the liver and gall bladder. It is a true specific for the cure of all diseases of the pancreas and spleen. It is a true specific for the cure of all diseases of the kidneys and bladder. It is a true specific for the cure of all diseases of the lungs and throat. It is a true specific for the cure of all diseases of the heart and blood vessels. It is a true specific for the cure of all diseases of the skin and hair. It is a true specific for the cure of all diseases of the eyes and ears. 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Special Bargains This Week

Your Own Price—Your Own Terms

On New Pianos and Players

I Am Going to Let You Have Your Own Way at This Week's Sale.

J. P. COLLINS

I HAVE an unusually large number of new pianos on my sacrifice floor this week—so many that I intend to make a big sacrifice to clean them out. My selling policy will not permit me to wait for sales—I must force sales—and at this season the only way to force sales is to cut prices—CUT and CUT DEEP—cut into the profit—cut away all the profit and cut into a loss. This week I am going to let the public do some cutting. Come out here today—tonight—or Thursday, Friday and Saturday and make your own selection on any make piano you desire. You can practically make your own price. Don't miss it.



J. P. COLLINS,
BOSTON'S
PIANO KING

Special Bargains This Week

PIANO SALE

New Upright Pianos
New Player Pianos
Baby Grands
Talking Machines

Free Delivery in N. E.

Big Bargains in New Uprights and Players

NEW HENRY F. MILLER Uprights and Players	LATEST NEW BRIGGS Uprights and Players	NEW POOLE PIANOS Uprights and Players
NEW HALL & DAVIS Uprights and Players	LATEST NEW MERRILL Uprights and Players	NEW MEHLIN UPRIGHTS Uprights and Players
NEW CONWAY PLAYERS Uprights and Players	LATEST NEW GABLER Uprights and Players	NEW CHICKERING Uprights and Players
LATEST NEW GABLER Uprights and Players	LATEST NEW JACOB DOLL Uprights and Players	Other Equally Fine Makes of New Uprights and Players.

The World's Best Make in the following list—some new, some used a little and some used more—also sale of new pianos going on all the time.

FREE STOOL AND CARP

Kranich & Bach Upr. \$95	Feers & Pond Upr. \$80	Doll & Son Upr. \$250
Webster Upr. \$85	Stainway Upr. \$140	Mason & Hamlin Upr. \$15
Huntington Upr. \$80	Knabe Angelus Player \$300	Emerson Upr. \$65
Knabe Upr. \$150	Haynes Upr. \$155	Frederick Upr. \$55
Behning Upr. \$40	Chickering Upr. \$125	McPhail Upr. \$55
H. F. Miller Upr. \$75	88-Note Int. Player \$75	Steinway Upr. \$125
Hallet & Davis Upr. \$75	Chickering Upr. \$80	Vose Upr. \$125
Kranich & Bach Upr. \$60		Webster Pianola. \$325

AGENTS WANTED
FOR NEW PIANOS
Cash Paid for New and Used
Pianos in Best Condition, Also
Talking Machines.

60 Days' Trial
MONEY BACK
IF NOT AS
REPRESENTED

AS LOW AS
\$5.00 DOWN
\$1.00 A WEEK

Talking Machines Wanted
I have customers waiting for
Talking Machines and Records.
I will pay cash or give
a big allowance towards any
piano in stock.

PLAYER PIANOS
Some of the new 88-Note
Player Pianos. Also some
fine ones, slightly used, are
on our selling floors at low-
est prices.

\$225
Up

PIANOS STORED FOR INDIVIDUALS, PIANO DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS

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Roxbury Piano Storage

SALE ROOMS CO., ROXBURY-BOSTON
2418 Washington St. DUDLEY ST. TERMINAL

PIANOS STORED

SETTLES GIRL'S HEART SUIT AS TRIAL OPENS

Worcester, May 2.—The \$10,000 breach of promise suit brought by Miss Isabel C. Caputo, a twenty-year-old nurse, who has had cases in some of Worcester's richest families, against Arthur A. Geyer, of Ware, a widely known analytical chemist, was settled out of court today.

This was just before the case was to go to trial before Judge O'Connell in the Superior Court here. The jury was twice drawn when Ernest H. Vaughan, counsel for Geyer, announced that a settlement had been reached.

Geyer, who was in the court, drew out his checkbook, filled out a check and passed it to Miss Caputo's lawyer, Judge W. E. Fowler of West-bon.

The check figure was not named but there was gossip along the court corridors later to the effect that it was in the neighborhood of \$10,000. In her declaration, Miss Caputo merely said that Geyer had promised to marry her and had later refused. Geyer put a set of interrogatories to the court. In her answers to these questions she said in part:

"I asked him (Geyer) why his mother behaved as she did on June 25, preceding, and when she was the cause of her actions at that time. He said the reason he did not come as before was simply that his mother was in a hysterical condition and to keep the peace and for his mother's sake he had kept away, but that did not mean he cared for me any less."

COURT REFUSES TO SPOIL WEDDING DAY

Through the assistance of Judge Wentworth of the Somerville police court, John Peronito, thirty-three, arrested by the Boston police today on a warrant charging him with assault upon Mrs. A. J. Peronito, a sister of his, of Somerville, by whom Peronito was employed, he was to carry out his wedding plans tomorrow. John Peronito, of the Boston police, took him to Somerville so that he could have a speedy arraignment. John told the court that he was to be married to the name of the bride-to-be, however, was held in \$1,000, the case being continued a week.

GASOLINE TANK EXPLODES; 2 HURT

With a roar that shook the building, a gasoline tank exploded on the third floor at No. 112 South street, today, causing considerable excitement in that locality.

Post foot, forty-four of No. 1012 Cummins avenue, Roxbury, standing near the tank, received severe burns on his chest, back and legs, and George R. Sheriff, thirty-two, of No. 1012 Cummins avenue, who was standing near the tank, received severe burns on his chest, back and legs. He and Potter were taken to the Relief Hospital.

FIRE SPRINKLER AT SHERBORN URGED

The danger from fire to the inmates of the Reformatory for Women at Sherborn was impressed upon the members of the House, Ways and Means Committee today by Dr. William J. McCall, of Sherborn, and Mrs. Jessie D. Hender, superintendent of the institution, who urged an additional appropriation of \$5,000 to complete the installation of a sprinkler system in the institution.

HOUSE STANDS FIRM ON MESSE PROPOSAL

The House of Representatives, 116 to 86, today refused to recede from its action in passing the bill to limit arrest on messe process. The bill was passed yesterday by the vote, 116 to 86. Representative Burt of Boston introduced the bill and the House gave authority to a judge to say whether payments in poor debtor cases should be made in full or by partial payments.

M'CALL AND LOWELL TO SPEAK TONIGHT

Governor McCall, President Lowell of Harvard, George von L. Meyer, ex-secretary of the Navy, and President Elliott of the New Haven, are among the speakers scheduled to address the American Legion at Fort Hill tonight.

MONTH FOR ROBBER HIS FRIEND OF \$70

John J. Kelly was convicted in South Boston court today of stealing \$70 from Timothy Delaney after the latter had taken Kelly into a saloon for a drink and had given him a month for his friend of \$70.

PROVIDENCE CITY WORK IS TIED UP

Providence, R. I., May 1.—The hundred pavers and powderers of the city street department were obliged to stop work today owing to a strike of 500 sweepers and laborers who refused to work in the city streets. They demand a minimum wage of \$2 per day. Mayor Gannett has called a special meeting of the city government at once.

Dividends in A Vacation

Strange title this "Dividends in a Vacation." It is a vacation. In next Sunday's Boston AMERICAN you will find the story. Then get busy and save the dividends.

GILCHRIST'S

HOME FURNISHING SALE

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

Two Days in which Home Furnishers may be able to secure the necessary articles to replenish their homes at unusual savings

Handsome Scotch Lace Curtains

99c

New, fresh and crisp curtains, large variety of designs, woven of fine double and triple twisted Egyptian yarns, overlocked stitched edges. Worth \$1.75.

\$2.50 Voile Dutched Curtains—Hem-stitched with novelty lace edge, fancy medallions in lower corner of curtains, valuable to match, headed ready to hang.

\$2.50 Imported Scotch Madras Curtains—Panel and all-over designs, straight and Dutched effect.

99c

\$8.50 Couch Hammocks

5.49

Well constructed of khaki duck. National rustless spring, 30 helical springs to prevent sagging; 5-inch fibre mattress, soft top, well tufted, adjustable windshield.

\$30.00 Axminster Art Squares \$23.50

Size 9x12. Many Snappy Patterns

\$37.50 Axminster Rugs—Size 12x12, extra heavy pile, rich Oriental patterns and colors, seamless, by patterns and rugs, size 6x9 for \$32.00

49c New Process Floor Covering—Two yards wide, 12 designs and coloring, per square yard.

29c

\$17.50 Axminster Rugs—A useful size for small, odd spaces; practical patterns and colors, size 6x9 for \$12.95

Linoleum Surrounds—One yard wide, surrounds for rug borders, per yd. \$3.49

75c Rubber Door Mats—Size 18x30 in. square yard.

29c

90c LINOLEUMS—4 Yards Wide

Heavy gauge, seamless, for most spaces, splendid designs; per square yard.

66c

\$1.25 Inlaid Linoleum—Colors wide, a large assortment of beautiful and desirable patterns, sq. yd., 59c

75c Printed Linoleum—Two yards wide, a large assortment of beautiful and desirable patterns, sq. yd., 59c

Sample Beds and Mattresses

Your choice of scores of crumpled beds, in several sizes at 1-1 to 1-2 off regular value. As these are sample beds, there is but one of each pattern and size. Early buying is therefore advisable.

\$35.00 Brass Bed \$18.75

This is only one of more than 70 sample beds at immense savings. Has 5-inch posts and top rail, 1 1/2 inch top rollers, red and ten 1 1/2 inch fillers; satin finish, full size, only.

Chairs and Rockers

89c

These strong, serviceable chairs or rockers can be used on porch, in dining or bed rooms, double or single seat, green or natural finish.

Combination Mattresses

\$7.50

Full edge, rubber fibre centre, filled cotton top, bottom and sides; all sizes; one or two parts.

Serviceable Chairs

\$2.15

Double or single seat, slat back, natural or green finish, chair or rocker.

GARDEN HOSE

50-Foot

\$2.98

Length. 1/2 inch size, with brass coupling, sold with the usual guarantee.

LAWN MOWERS

A good quality

\$3.29

cover, with 3 blade cutters, 8-inch drive wheels, 14-inch size.

Metal Hose Reels

\$1.19

Made from good quality metal and strongly constructed. Will hold 100 feet of hose.

GARDEN TOOLS

Malleable Hakes 19c-22c-25c

Steel Rakes 45c and 50c

Spades 70c and 95c

Hoes 19c and 35c

Turf Cutters 65c

Poultry Wire

12 in. 4c yd. or 95c roll, 150 running feet.

18 in. 5c yd. or \$1.49 roll

24 in. 6c yd. or \$1.98 roll

35 in. 9c yd. or \$2.98 roll

GILCHRIST'S

A LEGAL STAMP WITH EVERY 10c PURCHASE

JULY 4 DAYS ARE LEFT IN BEST BABY CONTEST

Registration Card.

Baby's name.....
 Father's name.....
 Mother's name.....
 Address.....
 Sex.....
 Date of birth.....
 PRESENT MEASUREMENTS
 Weight..... Height.....
 Circumference of head.....
 Circumference of abdomen.....
 Circumference of chest.....

Are there a few babies left in Greater Boston who are perfect and whose parents have failed to enter them in the AMERICAN Best Baby contest? If so, but four more days now remain in which to fill blanks from the AMERICAN and file their entries.

Is your baby a year old? Has it six teeth? Can it creep, walk or run? Can it say ma-ma or pa-pa? How much did it weigh at birth and how much now? Is its hair soft and silky and its skin like velvet? Does it cry seldom and is its temper what it should be?

These are important questions, mothers and fathers, if your babies are in the contest. The points upon which the entrants are to be judged are many. While but a few babies are left in the running the judges will begin to study more carefully the condition of teeth, eyesight, organs of smell, hearing, taste, etc. There may also be tests for strength, intelligence and amiability.

Fathers and mothers, can any of you tell exactly what make a perfect baby? You may think you know, but are you sure? The baby editor begins to think he knows the truth about perfect babies, but most of it is guess-work. The suspense will, however, soon be over. It may take a week or it may take ten days. This baby contest prize babies may be chosen within five days after the contest ends.

SOCIETY

Miss Grace Brooks of Beacon street, who has recently conducted the Vincent Club show rehearsal, is one of the most popular members of the Gableton younger set. Besides being the vice-president of the club, she belongs to the Seaside Circle League.

She has also appeared at a large number of important social events. She is a lover of sports and a skillful golfer and tennis player of much skill.

Miss Anne M. Moore, Miss Margaret Thomas, Miss Alice P. Vanston, Mrs. Harry J. Brooks and Miss Barbara Burr compose the committee in charge of the tea and exhibition held today at the North Denist Street Industrial School.

Mrs. Frederick J. Cotton of No. 229 Beacon street will open her home tonight for a musicale for the benefit of the Second Entertainment Society of Brookline. A program will be presented by Miss Eleanor M. Brodie, pianist; a group of songs will be sung by Miss Amy Sumner, and a song recital entitled "Pioneers' Holiday," by Mrs. Alice Hester Rice, Joseph Vlas, Miss Abbie M. Conley and Dr. George R. Rice, who are members of the church.

"The Englishman Today" will be the subject of a lecture Miss Caroline Alexander will give tomorrow at the rooms of the Special Aid Society for American Boys' Naval Brigade, No. 100 Boylston street. Last evening the Roxbury boys' Naval Brigade gave a patriotic entertainment in honor of the society.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Burrage of Commonwealth avenue and their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Burrage, who has been for the past two months on the Pacific coast, are now shortly expected home.

The Redemptorists will spend the summer at York Harbor. Mr. Dexter is already there, but Mrs. Dexter and the children will not get until later in the month.

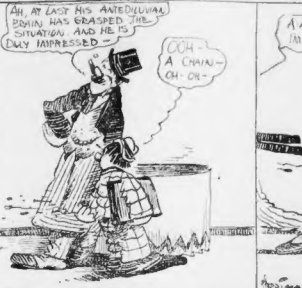
WINCENT ASTOR TO BE AN AERO SCOUT

New York, May 3.—Vincent Astor, the richest young man in the world, is to act as an aero scout. "I can operate a flying machine and have been interested in aviation for a long time," he said. "However, I would be of little use to my country as a military aviator in the event of war. Therefore, I have enlisted in the Second Battalion, Naval Reserve, to get the necessary training."

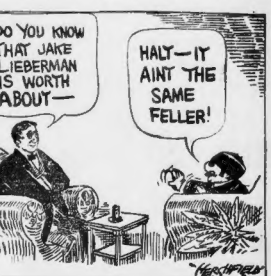
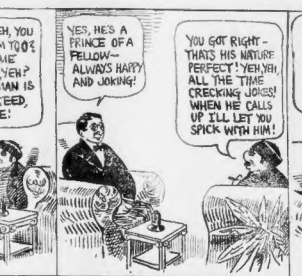
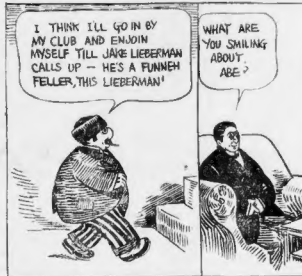
Hands Tell Your Real Age

Next Sunday's Boston AMERICAN will show you several ways in which you can prevent the little signs of age from appearing on your hands. Don't forget to order your copy now.

BARON BEAN



ABIE THE AGENT



JERRY ON THE JOB



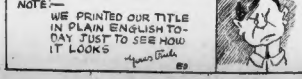
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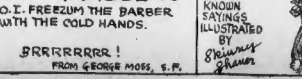
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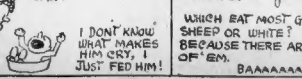
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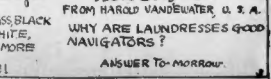
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WELL KNOWN SAYINGS ILLUSTRATED BY SHANER



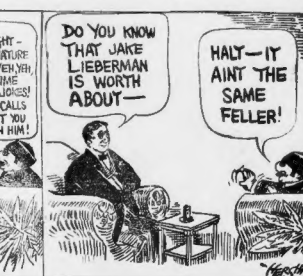
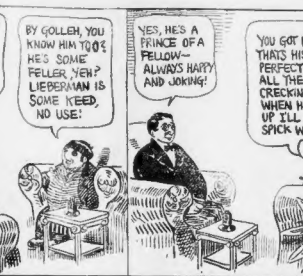
Answer to yesterday's How's this?



Too Bad; They Might Have Made a Mutually Advantageous Transaction



That Was Enough to Show It Wasn't Able's Friend



The Kid Will Own Standard Oil Before He Gets Through



They Might Help Support the Society Anyway



Wednesday, May 3, 1916

The Obligation and Opportunity of the United States in Mexico

THE position of the United States in Mexico is as pitiful as it is painful.

The United States in its relations with Mexico has reached the last depths of humiliation and degradation.

Uncle Sam, arrayed in his historic uniform of Stars and Stripes, the idealization of the one time manhood and courage of this Republic, stands humbly, hat in hand, while a motley crowd of blood-stained bandits tell him how far he may or may not go in pursuit of the murderers of Americans.

American men, women and children have been murdered throughout the length and breadth of Mexico for three years without hesitation on the one hand or hindrance on the other.

These Americans have been shot down in cold blood, tortured, burned, mutilated, outraged, subjected to every kind of cruelty and indignity that could tear their tortured souls from their bleeding bodies.

All this time our American Administration at Washington, false to its platform pledges, neglectful of the first and fundamental duties of organized government, has "watchfully waited" and feebly falsified.

All the truth that could be suppressed in regard to the situation in Mexico has been suppressed by a hesitating, vacillating Administration, ashamed of its own policy and afraid of the incriminating facts.

Still, in spite of official conspiracies of silence and secrecy, some of the truth has battered through the interposed bars and barriers to shock and shame the citizens of this great Republic.

Slowly our citizens have come to realize the extent to which their fellow-citizens' lives and properties and their own essential rights and privileges have been faithlessly betrayed and weakly abandoned by an American Administration devoid of conscience, competence and courage.

The American citizens murdered in Mexico have not been murdered by any special kind or class or faction or section of the Mexican people.

These brave American men, tender American women and helpless American children have been murdered impartially and indiscriminately from Chihuahua to Chiapas by Villistas, Zapatistas and Carranzistas equally and alike.

They have been murdered without fear or favoritism, without dread or discrimination, without compassion or compunction, throughout the whole Mexican territory by the whole Mexican citizenry, by that mongrel mixture of Aztec Indian and Spanish Buccaneer that our idealistic Administration at Washington is wont to dignify by the name of "patriots."

They have been murdered by this whole cowardly crowd, made courageous, or, at least, contemptuous, by the feebleness and folly, the ignorance and indecision of our own Government.

We at Washington have dealt with one fictitious government after another in Mexico.

Our visionary American Administration has fancifully created this or that imaginary Mexican administration, and we have gone through the empty form of treating them and treating WITH them, as if they were actual governments.

All the time there has been no government at all in Mexico, no power but the power of the sword and the torch—no order, no organization, nothing but anarchy and assassination, destruction and demoralization utter and complete.

We at Washington have dwelt in a land of dreams and peopled it with ghosts.

Our public policy is a fairy story; our President is the Peter Pan of politics.

He "never grows up" to the realities of existence.

He spends his life in the treetops of fancy, listening to the tinkler bell of his illusions.

He has waved the wand of innocence and inexperience, and has thought to make governments in Mexico out of guerrilla bands, patriots out of pirates and plunderers, statesmen and heroes out of murderers and marauders.

The actual invasion of American territory and the slaughter of American soldiers on American soil seemed to bring our political Peter Pan back to earth for one brief moment, but he has flown away again dangling ludicrously on the wire of his impracticality.

These fiction creations and situations, these stage illusions would be humorous if they were not serious.

They would be enjoyable comedy if they were not deplorable calamity.

We could laugh at our ridiculous Government if we were not compelled to mourn for our murdered people and hang our heads in humiliation for our disgraced and dishonored country.

It is time for anger, not for laughter. We citizens must see to it that our beloved Uncle Sam shall play the man and not the fool.

We must see that our people are protected and our country respected, that our flag, which has been jeered, shall at last be cheered.

We have sent a meagre army into Mexico to avenge a mighty wrong.

That devoted little band has marched heroically through the deserts, because the Carranzistas would not allow them the railroads.

They have camped upon the hard rocks and the hot sands, because the Carranzistas would not permit them in the towns.

They have starved and thirsted because the Carranzistas would not allow them food or water, and finally they have been ambushed and shot down by Carranzista troops, armed and equipped by the Administration at Washington with American arms and ammunition.

Our army pursuing murderous Villistas is hampered and hindered, ambushed and attacked by murderous Carranzistas.

Either the Carranza government is the recognized government of Mexico or it is not.

If it is, then this offensive act of the Carranza forces is an act of war.

If it is not, then the action of our Government in further parleying and paltering with the Carranza faction is an act of supreme disloyalty and imbecility.

Who is Obregon that he should define the limits of our activities in Mexico in pursuit of the murderers of our people and the treacherous slayers of our soldiers?

Why should our army retire from Mexico without accomplishing the righteous and necessary purposes for which it went into Mexico?

Why should our army forget and forgive the first assault and outrage to which it was subjected on American soil, simply because it has been subjected to a second assault and outrage on Mexican soil?

Has the second stain upon our flag obliterated the first? Has the murder of our soldiers atoned for the murder of our citizens?

Why should our army confine itself to a "restricted zone," where it will be neither a menace to Mexicans nor a protection to Americans?

Why should our army hang like Mohammed's coffin, halfway between heaven and earth—halfway between the border and the actual theatre of Mexico's murderous activities?

Why should our army seem to have neither the courage to advance nor the capacity to retire?

Why should the lives of our people and the honor and dignity of our country be sacrificed to a policy of criminal incapacity and maudlin sentimentality?

Any genuine policy of "humanity" should be comprehensive enough and intelligent enough to include our own people.

American citizens are human, although the incumbent Administration in the extravagance of its altruistic pretense seems unwilling to concede that fact.

American citizens should be subject to a just and practical application of the rules of "humanity."

They, too, have human rights.

They, too, have human feelings.

They suffer when tortured and murdered.

They grieve when dishonored and disgraced.

They have human pride in their past and human faith in their future.

They have human ambitions and aspirations.

They have patriotic convictions that their country has not yet reached the limit of its growth and greatness.

They are not yet willing to stagnate or deteriorate.

They believe that American liberties and privileges are better for humanity than Mexican excesses and outrages—that human rights are not advanced by bloody and brutal wrongs.

They believe that civilization and justice, that progress and prosperity prevail wherever the American flag is unfurled—that happiness is the heritage of our people, the gift of our government—that the highest "humanity" is the protection to life and property, the guarantee of liberty and security which the citizenship of the greatest nation of the world should and shall afford.

Our army should go forward into Mexico—first, to rescue Americans, and, secondly, to redeem Mexicans.

Our flag should wave over Mexico as the symbol of the rehabilitation of that unhappy country and its redemption to "humanity" and civilization.

Our right in Mexico is the right of HUMANITY.

If we have no right in Mexico we have no right in California or in Texas, which we redeemed from Mexico.

If we have no right in Mexico, we have no right anywhere in the United States, for this whole country, from ocean to ocean, has been rescued from savagery and redeemed for civilization.

If savagery has no claims upon the United States it has no rights in Mexico.

Let our people advance as they have always advanced under the banners of progress and enlightenment.

Let our people fight as they have always fought for the cause of civilization and the principles of "humanity."

And what we conquer let us conserve for the advantage and advancement of all mankind.

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